

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
)
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE AD HOC) Administrative Order
COMMITTEE ON RULES OF) No. 2010 - 42
EVIDENCE)
_____)

The *Arizona Rules of Evidence* were first adopted by the Supreme Court in September 1977 and were based on the *Federal Rules of Evidence*. In the more than thirty years since the adoption of the Arizona Rules, the Federal Rules have been amended on several occasions, and not all of these amendments have become part of the Arizona Rules. The Federal Rules are also going through a substantial restyling, which will likely be approved later this year.

Now, therefore, pursuant to Article VI, Section 3 of the Arizona Constitution,

IT IS ORDERED as follows:

1. The Ad Hoc Committee on Rules of Evidence is established.
2. PURPOSE: The Committee shall compare the *Arizona Rules of Evidence* to the proposed restyled *Federal Rules of Evidence*, identify differences, and provide input to the Supreme Court regarding conforming changes.
2. MEMBERSHIP: The membership of the Committee is attached as Appendix A. The Chief Justice may appoint additional members as may be necessary.
3. MEETINGS: All meetings shall comply with the Arizona Code of Judicial Administration § 1-202: Public Meetings.
4. REPORTS: If the Committee concludes that the Supreme Court should consider conforming changes to the Arizona Rules, it shall draft and file, not later than December 2010, a petition to amend the *Arizona Rules of Evidence*.
5. STAFF: The Staff Attorneys' Office shall provide support for the Task Force and shall assist the Task Force in developing the recommendations and submitting the final report.

Dated this 24th day of March, 2010.

REBECCA WHITE BERCH
Chief Justice

APPENDIX A

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON RULES OF EVIDENCE

MEMBERSHIP

The Honorable Andrew Hurwitz, Chair

The Honorable Michael Miller

The Honorable Samuel Thumma

Mr. Paul Ahler

Mr. Timothy Eckstein

Mr. Carl Piccarreta

Mr. Milton Hathaway

Ms. Patricia Refo

Mr. David Cole